

SENATE BILL 2509

By Tate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to pre-kindergarten.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-106, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) Each LEA applying for programs under §§ 49-6-103 – 49-6-105, this section and §§ 49-6-107 – 49-6-110 shall create and appoint a community pre-k advisory council. The director of schools shall serve as chair and coordinate the activities of the council. The council shall include, but not be limited to, members representing the local school board, parents, teachers, child advocacy organizations, nonprofit providers, for-profit providers, Head Start, the business community and local government funding bodies, where applicable. The council shall provide input to the local board of education in creating the board's application for programs, taking into consideration the number and type of existing programs currently serving children four (4) years of age within the geographical area served by the LEA.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.